LIST OF CLAIMS / AMENDMENTS

Please amend claims 1, 7, 32, and 38 as shown herein.

Claims 1-10, 13-21, 23-29, and 31-48 are pending and are listed following:

1. **(Currently Amended)** A method comprising:

receiving a request to play an audio file;

identifying a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage for displaying a lyric set associated with the audio file;

searching a list of lyric sets associated with the audio file ~~and arranged in a priority order according to language~~ to determine whether the lyric set is available in the preferred language and the preferred sublanguage;

identifying an alternate lyric set to be displayed based on ~~the priority order when the lyric set is not available in the preferred language~~ a hierarchical list of language priorities provided by a lyric synchronization module when the searching indicates that the lyric set is unavailable in the preferred sublanguage; and

playing the audio file and displaying the alternate lyric set.

2. **(Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the alternate lyric set is contained in the audio file.

3. **(Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the alternate lyric set is stored separately from the audio file.

4. **(Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the alternate lyric set includes a plurality of lyric segments, and wherein each of the plurality of lyric segments is associated with a particular time period of the audio file.

5. **(Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein the alternate lyric set includes a plurality of lyric segments and the audio file contains a plurality of time codes, wherein each of the plurality of time codes corresponds to a particular lyric segment.

6. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 5 wherein a particular lyric segment is displayed during playback of the audio file based on a current time code.

7. **(Currently Amended)** A method as recited in claim 1 wherein ~~identifying a preferred language includes identifying a preferred language and a~~ the preferred sublanguage identifies a regional dialect of the preferred language.

8. **(Original)** One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 1.

9. **(Previously Presented)** A method comprising:

receiving a request to play an audio file;

identifying a plurality of lyric segments associated with the audio file, wherein each lyric segment has an associated time code, and wherein each time code identifies a time during playback of the audio file that a corresponding lyric segment is displayed;

playing the audio file and displaying a first lyric segment;

receiving a request to jump to a different part of the audio file;

playing the different part of the audio file; and

displaying the first lyric segment until a time during playback of the audio file matches a time code in the different part of the audio file, and then displaying a different lyric segment associated with the time code in the different part of the audio file.

10. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 9 wherein playing the audio file and displaying the first lyric segment includes:

playing the audio file;

identifying a time code associated with a current playback location in the audio file;

identifying the first lyric segment associated with the identified time code; and

displaying the first lyric segment until the time code in the different part of the audio file is reached.

11. (Canceled)

12. (Canceled)

13. (Original) A method as recited in claim 9 wherein the time codes and the lyric segments are stored in the audio file.

14. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 9.

15. (Previously Presented) A method comprising:

selecting an audio file to edit;

identifying lyric segments associated with the audio file;

associating a language and a sublanguage with the lyric segments, the sublanguage identifying a country/region dialect of the language;

assigning a time code to each lyric segment, wherein each time code identifies a temporal location within the audio file; and

saving the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments.

16. (Original) A method as recited in claim 15 further comprising displaying the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments.

17. (Previously Presented) A method as recited in claim 15 further comprising editing one or more of the time codes.

18. (Original) A method as recited in claim 15 wherein saving the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments includes storing the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments in the audio file.

19. (Original) A method as recited in claim 15 wherein saving the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments includes storing the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments in a file separate from the audio file.

20. (Original) A method as recited in claim 15 wherein saving the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments includes caching the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments if the audio file is currently in use.

21. (Original) A method as recited in claim 15 further comprising associating a language with the lyric segments.

22. (Canceled)

23. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 15.

24. (Previously Presented) A method comprising:

selecting an audio file to edit;

identifying static lyrics associated with the audio file;

associating a language and a sublanguage with the static lyrics, the sublanguage identifying a country/region dialect of the language;

separating the static lyrics into a plurality of lyric segments;

assigning a time code to each of the plurality of lyric segments, wherein each time code identifies a temporal location within the audio file; and

saving the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments.

25. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 24 wherein the static lyrics include all lyrics associated with the audio file.

26. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 24 wherein the plurality of lyric segments are approximately equal in duration.

27. **(Previously Presented)** A method as recited in claim 24 further comprising editing one or more of the time codes.

28. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 24 further comprising displaying the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments.

29. **(Original)** A method as recited in claim 24 wherein saving the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments includes storing the time codes and the corresponding lyric segments in the audio file.

30. **(Canceled)**

31. **(Original)** One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 24.

32. (Currently Amended) A method comprising:

receiving a request to play an audio file;

identifying a preferred language for displaying lyrics;

identifying an alternate language for displaying the lyrics based on a hierarchical list of language priorities when the lyric set is unavailable in the preferred language;

playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in the preferred language if lyric data is available in the preferred language; and

playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in the alternate language if lyric data is not available in the preferred language.

33. (Original) A method as recited in claim 32 further comprising playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data in English if lyric data is not available in the preferred language or the alternate language.

34. (Original) A method as recited in claim 32 wherein the lyric data is stored in the audio file.

35. (Original) A method as recited in claim 32 further comprising:

while playing the audio file, receiving a request to change the language of the lyrics being displayed; and

displaying associated lyric data in the requested language.

36. (Original) A method as recited in claim 32 wherein playing the audio file and displaying associated lyric data includes:

playing the audio file;

determining a time code associated with a current playback location in the audio file;

identifying a lyric segment associated with the time code; and

displaying the lyric segment until a different time code is reached.

37. (Original) One or more computer-readable memories containing a computer program that is executable by a processor to perform the method recited in claim 32.

38. (Currently Amended) An apparatus comprising:

an audio player to play an audio file;

a language selection module to search a list of lyric sets associated with the audio file ~~and arranged in a priority order according to language~~ to determine whether a lyric set is available in a preferred language, and to identify an alternate lyric set to be displayed based on ~~the priority order when the lyric set is not available in the preferred language~~ a hierarchical list of language priorities when the search by the language selection module indicates that the lyric set is unavailable in the preferred language; and

a lyric display module coupled to the audio player and the language selection module, the lyric display module to identify the alternate lyric set associated with the audio file, wherein the lyric display module displays the identified alternate lyric set synchronously with playing of the audio file.

39. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as recited in claim 38 wherein the lyric display module displays different lyric segments of the alternate lyric set based on a portion of the audio file being played by the audio player.

40. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as recited in claim 38 wherein the alternate lyric set is stored in the audio file.

41. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 38 wherein the preferred language is stored separately from the audio file.

42. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as recited in claim 38 further comprising a synchronized lyric editor to edit the alternate lyric set associated with audio files.

43. (Previously Presented) An apparatus comprising:

means for identifying an audio file to play;

means for identifying a plurality of lyric segments associated with the audio file, wherein each lyric segment has an associated time code, and wherein the time codes identify periods of time during playback of the audio file;

means for identifying a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage for displaying lyrics, wherein the preferred sublanguage identifies a country/region dialect of the preferred language; and

means for playing the audio file and displaying a lyric segment that corresponds to the current time code.

44. (Previously Presented) An apparatus as recited in claim 43 wherein the means for identifying a plurality of lyric segments identifies a plurality of lyric segments in the preferred sublanguage.

45. (Original) An apparatus as recited in claim 43 wherein the lyric segments are stored in the audio file.

46. (Previously Presented) One or more computer-readable media having stored thereon a computer program that, when executed by one or more processors, causes the one or more processors to:

receive a request to play an audio file;

identify a preferred language and a preferred sublanguage that identifies a country/region dialect of the preferred language in which to display lyrics associated with the audio file;

identify a plurality of lyric segments associated with the audio file, wherein each lyric segment is associated with the preferred sublanguage and each lyric segment has an associated time code, and wherein each time code identifies a time during playback of the audio file that a corresponding lyric segment is displayed; and

play the audio file and display the appropriate lyric segments as the audio file is played.

47. (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 46 wherein the one or more processors further identify an alternate language if lyric segments are not available in the preferred language.

48. (Original) One or more computer-readable media as recited in claim 46 wherein the time code data is stored in the audio file.